GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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CLEARANCE OF RAPP UNIT 7 AND 8
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Rajasthan for earlyclearance of RAPPunits 7 & 8;

(b) if so, the status of the proposal; and

(c) by when the necessary clearance is likely to be given?

Answer

THE MINISTER OFSTATE IN THEMINISTRY OF SMALL SCALEINDUSTRIES,MINISTEROF STATE IN THEMINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLICGRIEVANCESAND PENSIONS,MINISTEROF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINIST OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) The Chief Minister, Rajasthan had written to the Prime Minister in May 2002 on this subject. There is no formal proposal pending or under consideration at present with the Government of India on this subject.

(b) & (c) There are four units, Rajasthan Atomic Power Station 1-4 (100 MWe + 200 MWe +2x220 MWe) in operation at Rawatbhata site in Rajasthan. In addition, Rajasthan Atomic Power Project (RAPP-5&6) (2x220 MWe) are under construction. This site has additional potential to accommodate 2x700 MWe unit (RAPP-7&8), for which site clearances from Atomic Energy Regulatory Board on the safety angle, and Ministry of Environment and Forest on the environmental angle, are required to be obtained after the Site selection committee of the Department of Atomic energy completes its evaluation. Thereafter the matter of setting up of two more units will be taken up, consistent with the envisaged nuclear power programme and the availability of financial resources.